

** A Message From the CEO **

Club '06 Resolution: Work Harder for **YOU**

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Happy New Year!

And a happy New Year it will be – especially when you consider the Club's New Year's resolution: to work even harder at celebrating the lives and work of City employees!



And in sticking to this resolution, we are proud to bring you *Alive!*'s newest monthly feature: monthly highlights of ITA's Emmy-award-winning Channel 35. And what better person to help us do that than Emmy-award-winning Tony Ighani, the illustrious station manager for Channel

Tuned In 35 (and yes, he's a proud City employee!). See page 7 for all the details.

We've also expanded the retirees section ("The Best Years") to include information on all three retiree associations: the Retired Los Angeles City Employees Association Inc. (RLACEI), the DWP Retirees Association and the Fire and Police Retirees Association (LAFPRA). And remember, whether you're active or retired, you're all part of the City family!

So, what are your resolutions? See page 5 for a sample of some resolutions from your fellow City employees. By the way, in case you're wondering or need some ideas, here are the top five resolutions people make:

- 1. Spend more time with family and friends**
- 2. Exercise more**
- 3. Lose weight**
- 4. Quit smoking**
- 5. Enjoy life more**

In closing, thank you for being a member of the City Employees Club. There is so much to be proud about in working for the greatest City in the country. Whether you work for the Port, ITA, General Services, LAPD, the Library, Sanitation or other department; whether you're retired or active, we're all one big family, and we're proud to be able to deliver the great news that goes on each and every month.

Happy 2006!

-John

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26 The City Parties!

Departments all over the City ushered in the holidays in grand style. Our *Alive!* reporters were there, covering dozens of celebrations. Relive the fun.

1 Controversy at Animal Services

The ouster of General Manager Guerdon Stuckey causes uproar in beleaguered department.

1 Fixing El Pueblo Monument

In the *Alive!* interview, El Pueblo GM Rushmore Cervantes documents Olvera Street's troubles and how he's fixing them.

7 Tuned In

Alive! begins a new column: Tuned In, highlighting LA Cityview 35's offerings for the month.

13 Excellent Public Works

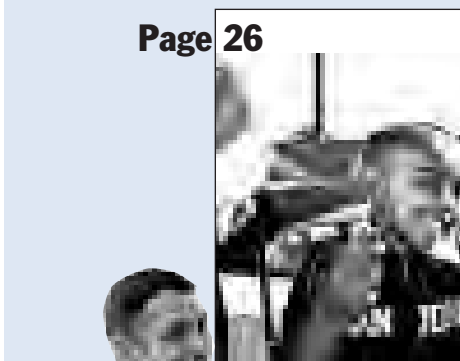
Three Public Works projects win awards from industry group.

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Mayor Villaraigosa and other dignitaries turn on new decorative streetlights in Hollywood in this Street Services project.

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Harbor is expected to name Club Member Geraldine Knatz as its Executive Director, the first woman to hold that post.



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